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THIS Day Mr. Thomas, Purſer of his Majeſty's Ship the Strafford, arrived here with Letters from Vice-Admiral Vernon, dated Porto Bello April 5, to his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle, one of his Majeſty's principal Secretaries of State, with the following Account, viz.

That on the 25th of February laſt, He ſailed from Port Royal in Jamaica with a Squadron of his Majeſty's Ships, and having a favourable Wind got Sight of the High Land of Stª Martha on the Spaniſh Main the 1ſt of March; That he ordered Capt. Windham in the Greenwich to ply up in the Night, and lie to Windward of the Port, for intercepting any thing that might be coming in there the next Day; and himſelf bore away with an eaſy Sail for Carthagena; That the 3d at Noon he was joyned by the Falmouth, Capt. Douglaſs, off Point Canoa, and that Evening anchored with the Squadron before Carthagena in nine Fathom Water, in the open Bay called Playa-Grande, and on the 6th he ordered in all the Bomb Ketches, and the ſmall Ships and Tenders for covering and aſſiſting them, and continued Bombarding till Nine in the Morning; That the Squadron received no Damage from the Town, but the Shells fell into the Town pretty ſucceſsfully, particularly into the principal Church, the Jeſuits College, the Cuſtom-Houſe, and beat down ſeveral Houſes between them, and a Shell that fell into the South Baſtion, ſilenc'd a Battery of 10 Guns there for a long Time. That he drew off his Bomb-Ketches and ſmall Craft on the 9th, and weighed with his Squadron on the 10th in the Morning, and making the Signal for the Line of Battle, he coaſted the Shore towards Boca Chica; that they fired at him from the three ſmall Caſtles without Boca Chica, but none of their Shot reached him: And that having left the Windſor, Captain Berkeley, and the Greenwich Capt. Windham, to cruize off the Port of Carthagena for 20 Days, he made Sail for Porto Bello, to repair there the Damages the ſmall Craft had received, and on the 14th anchored with his Squadron in Porto Bello Harbour, detaching his Cruizers from time to time to lie off Chagre to block up the Enemy; and having got his Ships watered, put to Sea on the 22d with his Squadron, except the Louiſa and Falmouth, which had not compleated their Watering, but had his Orders to haſten it and follow him; but an Accident in the Fore-top-ſail Yard of his Ship the Strafford, retarding her Progreſs, he ordered Capt. Herbert in the Norwich to make all the Sail he could in before him with the Bomb-Ketches and all the Fireſhips and Tenders under his Orders, and Capt. Knowles, as Engineer on Board the Bomb-Ketches for placing them to play on the Caſtle, and to cover them with his own Ship and the reſt; that Capt. Knowles got to an Anchor by Three in the Afternoon, and began bombarding and cannonading that Evening, and by Ten a-Clock at Night he got alſo to an Anchor with his own Ship the Strafford, and the Falmouth and Princeſs Louiſa that followed him, the ſame Night; and continued bombarding and cannonading with three Ships, firing leiſurely only from their Lower Tier till Eleven o'Clock on Monday the 24th, when the Spaniards hung out a Flag of Truce from the Fort, and he anſwered it from his own Ship, and ſtopt all Firing as ſoon as poſſible, and ſent Capt. Knowles on ſhore, who ſoon returned with the Governor; to whom having granted the Capitulation hereto ſubjoined, he ſent him aſhore again with Capt. Knowles, whom he appointed Governor of the Caſtle for his Majeſty, and ſent a Garriſon along with him of five Lieutenants and 120 Men, and all the Boats of the Fleet to land them, and by Three a-Clock that Afternoon Capt. Knowles entred the Fort with his Garriſon. The ſame Evening Capt. Knowles ſent and placed a Guard upon the Cuſtom-houſe on the oppoſite Side of the River Chagre, and Vice Admiral Vernon went on ſhore himſelf by Day-break the next Morning to give all neceſſary Orders, and found the Cuſtom-houſe full of Goods for the Lading of the Galleons, ſuch as Guayaquil Cocoa, Jeſuits Bark, and Spaniſh Wool; and gave immediate Orders for their being ſpeedily ſhip'd off. The Number of Serons and Bags of the ſaid mentioned Goods amounted to 4300; That the two Guarda Coſta Sloops in the River (which were all the Guarda Coſtas that were left in thoſe Parts) were ſunk juſt above the Cuſtom-houſe, Carpenters having been ordered to break up their Decks and entirely deſtroy them. The Cuſtom-houſe being entirely cleared by Friday the 28th, was filled with combuſtible Matter of the neighbouring Huts, and ſet on Fire that Evening, and it burnt with great Fierceneſs all that Night. On the 29th in the Morning, the Braſs Cannon being embarked, which were 11 Guns and 11 Patereroes, and a good Part of the Garriſon, the Mines were ſprung under the lower Baſtion which entirely demoliſh'd it. Then two Mines were ſprung to blow up ſome

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fone of the upper Parts of the Works, and afterwards all the inner Buildings of the Caſtle were ſet on Fire, and were burning all the Night of the 29th. On the 30th Vice-Admiral Vernon put to Sea with his Squadron, and on the Firſt of April in the Evening got to the Mouth of the Harbour of Porto Bello, and was joined there by the Windſor and Greenwich juſt returned from their Cruize off Carthagena; and on the 3d was joined alſo by the Burford, which he had left at Jamaica to be repaired.

Articles of Capitulation granted by Edward Vernon, Eſq; Vice-Admiral of the Blue, and Commander in Chief of His Britannick Majeſty's Ships and Veſſels in the Weſt Indies, to Don Juan Carlos Gutierez de Zaucllos, Captain of Foot, and Caſtillano of the Caſtle of St. Lorenzo, at the Mouth of the River Chagre.

I. That upon His Britannick Majeſty's Troops being put into immediate Poſſeſſion of the Fort St. Lorenzo at the Mouth of the River Chagre, the ſaid Caſtillano and all his Garriſon be at free Liberty to March out without any Moleſtation, and may retire into the Village of Chagre, or where elſe they pleaſe.

II. That the Inhabitants of Chagre may remain in all Safety in their own Houſes, under a Promiſe of Security to their Perſons and Houſes.

III. That the Guarda Coſta Sloops be delivered up to the Uſe of His Britannick Majeſty, in the Condition they are, and the King of Spain's Cuſtom-Houſe.

IV. That the Clergy and Churches in the Town of Chagre ſhall be protected and preſerved in all their Immunities.

Given under my Hand on Board His Britannick Majeſty's Ship the Strafford, at Anchor before the River Chagre, this 24th of March, 1739.

E. Vernon.

Mr Thomas, who brought this Account, left Vice-Admiral Vernon on the 25th of April, under the Grand Baru, in his Return to Jamaica.

Navy-Office, June 26, 1740.

Theſe are to give Notice, that on Wedneſday the 9th of July next, at Ten of the Clock in the Morning, this Board will be ready to treat with ſuch Perſons as ſhall be inclinable to import and ſerve into his Majeſty's ſeveral Yards, on Contract, ſuch New England Maſts, Bowſprits and Yards, as may be wanted for the Service of the Navy, after the Expiration of the Year 1741, that they may attend with their Propoſals accordingly.

This is to give Notice, that the Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Treaſury, have been pleaſed to appoint Money to pay all the Arrears due to the Penſioners belonging to the Cheſt at Chatham, to Lady-Day 1740, and that the ſaid Pay will begin on Tueſday the 12th of Auguſt 1740, at the Cheſt Room in his Majeſty's Dock Yard at Chatham.

General Poſt Office, March 14, 1739.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy, who was carrying the Worceſter Mail from London to Southall, was ſet upon this Morning about Four of the Clock, between Audley-ſtreet End and Tyburn Turnpike, by Two Footpads, one of which was a luſty Man, in a white Cape Coat, who preſented a Piſtol to the ſaid Boy, and demanding the Oxford Bag, led him into a Field againſt Audley-ſtreet End, opened the Mail, and took thereout the Worceſter and Oxford Bags; the Worceſter Bag containing the Ludlow, Tenbury, and Bromyard Letters; the Oxford Bag containing the Burford, Whitney, and Woodſtock Letters.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to adverti ſe the Publick, that whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, both or either of the Perſons who committed the ſaid Robbery, will be intituled to a Reward of 200 l. beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen. Or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make Diſcovery whereby the Perſons, or either of them who committed the ſame, may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party or Parties, be intituled to the ſame Reward, and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General.

J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

General Poſt-Office, April 2, 1740.

Whereas the Poſt Boy carrying the Briſtol Mail from London to Hounſlow, was attacked and ſet upon between Three and Four a Clock this Morning, a little beyond Knightsbridge, by a ſingle Perſon on Foot, of a dark Complexion, and a middle Stature, having on a light-colour'd Horſeman's Coat with the Cape button'd up, who led him into an adjacent Field, and there took from him the Bath and Briſtol Bags, put them into a Green Bag, and rode off with them towards London on the Horſe that carried the ſaid Mail.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to advertiſe the Publick, that whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſon who committed this Robbery, will be intituled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen; or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make a Diſcovery whereby the Perſon who committed the ſame may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party, be intituled to the ſame Reward, and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General.

J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

General Poſt-Office, London, June 16, 1740.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy carrying the North Mail from Royſton to Ware, was attacked in the Highway, between One and Two of the Clock laſt Friday Morning, the 13th Inſtant, on the North Side of Hamill's Park, belonging to Ralph Freeman, Eſq; about three Miles beyond Ware, by a ſingle Highwayman, who was a ſhort thick Man in his own Hair, with a brown great Coat, riding a black Horſe, with a Star in his Forehead, having two white Heels behind, who took from him the Peterborough Mail, which contained the following Bags, viz. Peterborough, Boſton, Louth, Horncaſtle, and Spalding.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to advertiſe the Publick, That whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſon who committed this Robbery, will be entitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen; or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make a Diſcovery, whereby the Perſon who committed the ſame may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party, be entituled to the ſame Reward, and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General.

J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

General Poſt Office, London, June 27, 1740.

Theſe are to give Notice, That the Poſt will go every Night, Sundays excepted, from London to Tunbridge-Wells, and from Tunbridge Wells to London. To begin on Monday next, the 30th Inſtant, and continue during the Summer Seaſon.

J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

Lottery Office, July 1, 1740.

The Managers and Directors of the Lottery appointed by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, entitled, An Act to enlarge the Power of the Commissioners for building a Bridge, &c. do hereby give Notice, that the Second Payment of Two Pounds on each Ticket is to be paid at the Bank of England on or before the 23d of this Instant July (the Cashiers being ready to receive the same); and the remaining two Pounds on each Ticket, on or before the 24th of September next.

The Governours of the Free Grammar School of St. Olave's Southwark give Notice, that they intend to Lett upon a Building Lease for Sixty one Years, a Messuage or Tenement on the East Side of Bermondsey-street, near St. Olave's Street, late in the Occupation of George Hayes, Blacksmith. And that the said Governours will sit in the Vestry Hall near St. Olave's Church in Southwark, on Tuesday the 8th of July, at Four a-Clock in the Afternoon, to receive Proposals in Writing sealed up for the same. NB. The House may be viewed by any Persons willing to take it, by applying to Mr. King, a Hat-maker over the Way, he having the Key.

Advertisements.

PUrsuant to an Order of the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, dated the 22d of April last, the Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Drue Cressener, late of Mark lane, London, Merchant, intend to meet on Wednesday the 23d of July Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to chuse a new Assignee or Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate; and such of the said Bankrupt's Creditors who have not proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the same. And the said Bankrupt is hereby required to attend the said Commissioners; when and where to be further examined according to the said Order.

TO be sold peremptorily pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, on Wednesday the 23d of this Instant July, between the Hours of Four and Six in the Afternoon, before Robert Holford, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, The Manner and Mansionhouse of Basingbourne Hall, in Takely in Essex, near Bishop Stortford, together with the several Farms lying all round the same, of the yearly Value of 750 l and upwards, late the Estate of John Kendall, Esq, deceased. Particulars whereof may be had at the said Master's Chambers in Symonds Inn.

TO be peremptorily sold pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before William Spicer, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, on Friday the 25th of July Instant, between the Hours of Six and Seven in the Afternoon, A Capital Messuage with Outhouses thereunto belonging, and a Garden planted with Fruit Trees, a Cottage, 143 Acres or thereabouts of good Pasture Land, and about 8 Acres of Wood Land, of the yearly Value of 60 l. or thereabouts, scituate at Somerby, within Three Miles of Grantham in Lincolnshire, late the Estate of Joshua Hutchinson, deceased. Particulars whereof may be had at the said Master's Chambers in Lincoln's Inn, London

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of William Dealtry the Elder, late of Gainsburgh, in the County of Lincoln, Merchant, against whom a Commission of Bankrupt hath been awarded, are desired forthwith to pay their respective Debts to Thomas Hutton, of Gainsburgh aforesaid, Gentleman, or to Thomas Morton of the same Place, Grocer, one of the Assignees chosen under the said Commission, otherwise they will be sued for the same, (excepting only such Debts as are owing to the said William Dealtry the Elder, as Partner with Henry Revell, of Gainsburgh aforesaid, Merchant, in the Wine Trade) which are desired to be paid to the said Henry Revell, and to no other Person but whom he shall appoint

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against William Harvest, of Kingston, in the County of Surry, Brewer, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 2d and 15th of July Instant, and on the 12th of August next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr Matthew Grave, Attorney, in Serjeants Inn, Fleet-street, London.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Andrew Kendrey, late of Portsmouth, in the County of Southampton, Linnendraper, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 4th and 10th Days of this Instant July, and on the 12th of August next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Anson, Attorney, in Downing-street, Westminster.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Henry Kellaway the Younger, of Broadway, in the County of Dorset, Brewer, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 28th and 29th of this Instant July, and on the 12th of August next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon on each of the said Days, at the House of Mr. Robert Gundrey, called the Queen's Arms Inn, situate in Dorchester in the said County of Dorset, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepar'd to prove their Debts, and at the 2d Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination; and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr Robert Loder, Attorney, at Dorchester

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Edward Dilke, of Stamford, in the County of Lincoln, Grocer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 9th and 15th of July Instant, and on the 12th of August next, at Three in the Afternoon on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepar'd to prove their Debts, and at the second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Palmer, Attorney, in Aldermanbury, London.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against Charles Scott late of the Parish of St. John Wapping, in the County of Middlesex, Watchmaker, intend to meet on the 24th of July Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against William Johnson, now or late of Darking, in the County of Surry, Linnendraper and Milliner, intend to meet on the 16th of October next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against John Romney, late of of the City of Worcester, Chapman, intend to meet on the the 28th of July Instant, at Two in the Afternoon, at the House of George Woodcock, at the Sign of the Hop Pole in the Foregate-street in the City of Worcester, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

WHereas the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against James Ring, of Highgate, in the County of Middlesex, Victualler and Chapman, have certified to the Right Hon. Philip Lord Hardwicke, Baron of Hardwicke, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said James Ring hath in all things conformed himself according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that by Virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, his Certificate will be allowed and confirm'd as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 22d of July Instant.

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